

**FUTURE FISHERIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION**

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*all sections (IA, IB, IC, etc.) must be addressed or the application will be considered invalid***I. APPLICANT INFORMATION**A. Applicant Name: Clark Fork CoalitionB. Mailing Address: 140 S 4th St W #1C. City: Missoula State: MT Zip: 59801Telephone: 406-542-0539 ext 209 E-mail: jed@clarkfork.orgD. Contact Person: Jed Whiteley (Clark Fork Coalition)

Address if different from Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

E. Landowner and/or Lessee Name  
(if other than Applicant): Gayland EnocksonMailing Address: 11115 Lolo Creek Rd.City: Lolo State: MT Zip: 59847-9467Telephone: 406-240-8889 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_**II. PROJECT INFORMATION\***A. Project Name: Lolo Creek Fish ScreenRiver, stream, or lake: Lolo CreekLocation: Township: 11N Range: 20W Section: 6Latitude: 46.743079 Longitude: -114.151944 *within project (decimal degrees)*County: Missoula

B. Purpose of Project:

The purpose of the Lolo Creek Fish Screen project is to increase wild trout populations in Lolo Creek by eliminating what FWP has identified as the number one greatest negative impact to wild fish populations on the creek. This is the severe entrainment problem at the Lolo Ditch diversion which would be completely mitigated by the construction of the fish screen proposed by this project.

**C. Brief Project Description:**

Lolo Creek is the third largest drainage in the Bitterroot watershed draining 274 square miles of land and its upper tributaries are strongholds for bull trout and Westslope cutthroat trout. The Lolo Creek watershed also recruits brown trout, rainbow trout, and mountain whitefish to the Bitterroot River fishery. The stream is impacted by dewatering and high water temperatures in its lower reaches, fish entrainment at the major irrigation diversions and sediment/fish passage issues in the upper section.

Restoring Lolo Creek is a top priority for CFC, as outlined in our 2017 Bitterroot Strategy document. CFC has had success tackling sediment and fish passage issues in the headwaters through road decommissioning projects. For the lower creek CFC is actively working on dewatering and high water temperatures through instream flow projects. These are all worthy goals and projects but FWP's fish biologist on Lolo Creek, Ladd Knotek, has identified screening the Lolo Ditch as the single most important restoration project for wild fish in the entire watershed. In his estimate thousands of trout and whitefish die annually due to this one diversion. This is a devastating loss to the fish populations on Lolo Creek year after year.

The Lolo Ditch is the largest irrigation diversion on Lolo Creek with the capacity to divert over 75% of the water in the creek during low flow periods. When irrigation diversions become such a large percentage of the flow they essentially become the best habitat for the fish and the fish become entrained in large numbers. The Lolo Ditch leaves the Lolo watershed basin soon after the diversion and travels almost 4 miles south to its terminus. This means that all the fish in the ditch have no chance to return to the creek and die due to being left high and dry in a field or eaten by a predator. CFC has worked with FWP in the past to carry out a fish rescue through electrofishing certain pools left in the ditch when it is turned off at the end of October and has saved thousands of trout this way. These rescued trout represent only a small fraction of the trout that are lost yearly and installation of this screen will mean an end to the need for FWP and CFC employees along with volunteers to spend time and resources on this fish rescue every year.

The Coalition has hired an experienced engineering firm to design the project. The field survey, analysis of alternatives, and initial selection of preferred fish screen design with the water users is complete. The water users preferred design is a corrugated water screen, which is a newer design with no moving parts. The proposed project funding will allow the Coalition to complete the final design details, and install the screen.

D. Length of stream or size of lake that will be treated: 37 miles

E. Project Budget:

**Grant Request (Dollars): \$ 100,000**

Contribution by Applicant (Dollars): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-kind \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(salaries of government employees are not considered as matching contributions)

Contribution from other Sources (Dollars): \$ 83,040 In-kind \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(attach verification - See page 2 budget template)

**Total Project Cost: \$ 183,040**

F. Attach itemized (line item) budget – see template

- G. Attach specific project plans, detailed sketches, plan views, photographs, maps, evidence of landowner consent, evidence of public support and fish biologist support, and/or other information necessary to evaluate the merits of the project. If project involves water leasing or water salvage complete a *supplemental questionnaire* ([fwp.mt.gov/habitat/futurefisheries/supplement2.doc](http://fwp.mt.gov/habitat/futurefisheries/supplement2.doc)).
- H. Attach land management & maintenance plans that will ensure protection of the reclaimed area.

### III. PROJECT BENEFITS\*

- A. What species of fish will benefit from this project?:

The project will benefit Westslope cutthroat trout, bull trout, mountain whitefish, brown trout, rainbow trout, cuttbow hybrids, and brook trout.

- B. How will the project protect or enhance wild fish habitat?:

A key strategy behind CFC's work to improve the health and ecological functioning of the Clark Fork watershed focuses on improving connections between tributaries and their main stem rivers, including the seasonal migration of fish within the system. On Lolo Creek, the Lolo Ditch severely disrupts the connection for salmonids, because its water withdrawals make the ditch an irresistible channel – particularly for out-migrating fish. The project will completely end fish entrainment at the Lolo Ditch diversion, retaining thousands of wild fish that would have been lost to the system on a yearly basis.

- C. Will the project improve fish populations and/or fishing? To what extent?:

The project will greatly improve fish populations on Lolo Creek, its tributaries and the Bitterroot River. Every tributary of Lolo Creek but one lies upstream of the Lolo Ditch diversion, forcing migrating fish to run the diversions gauntlet on their upstream and downstream migrations. FWP believes up to 99% of out migrating salmonids are being entrained and ultimately killed by the Lolo Ditch.

- D. Will the project increase public fishing opportunity for wild fish and, if so, how?:

This project will have a large and immediate positive impact on wild fish numbers, leading to greatly increased angling opportunities for the public.

- E. The project agreement includes a 20-year maintenance commitment. Please discuss your ability to meet this commitment.

The Clark Fork Coalition and its partners will take responsibility for fish screen maintenance in coordination with the water users. The Coalition is launching a long-term project stewardship fund so that it can meet its project monitoring and maintenance responsibilities into the future..

- F. What was the cause of habitat degradation in the area of this project and how will the project correct the cause?:

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- G. What public benefits will be realized from this project?:

Public benefits from this project will include: increased fish numbers, enhanced fishing opportunities and an improved tourism economy.

H. Will the project interfere with water or property rights of adjacent landowners? (explain):

The project will not interfere with the water supply, water rights, or property rights of adjacent landowners. There are no water rights issues involved in this project.

I. Will the project result in the development of commercial recreational use on the site?: (explain):

No, there is no planned development of commercial recreational use at the site of the project.

J. Is this project associated with the reclamation of past mining activity?:

No

**Each approved project applicant must enter into a written agreement with Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks specifying terms and duration of the project. The applicant must obtain all applicable permits prior to project construction. A competitive bid process must be followed when using State funds.**

#### IV. AUTHORIZING STATEMENT

I (we) hereby declare that the information and all statements to this application are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my (our) knowledge and that the project or activity complies with rules of the Future Fisheries Improvement Program.

Applicant Signature:



Date:

11/29/18

Sponsor (if applicable):

\*Highlighted boxes will automatically expand.

**Mail To:** Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks  
Fisheries Division  
PO Box 200701  
Helena, MT 59620-0701

**E-mail To:** Michelle McGree  
[mmcgree@mt.gov](mailto:mmcgree@mt.gov)  
(electronic submissions MUST be signed)

Incomplete or late applications will be rejected and returned to applicant.  
Applications may be rejected if this form is modified.

**\*\*\*Applications must be signed and received by the Future Fisheries Program Officer in Helena before December 1 and June 1 of each year to be considered for the subsequent funding period.\*\*\***

**BUDGET TEMPLATE SHEET FOR FUTURE FISHERIES PROGRAM APPLICATIONS**

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Both tables must be completed or the application will be returned

WORK ITEMS (ITEMIZE BY CATEGORY)	NUMBER OF UNITS	UNIT DESCRIPTION*	COST/UNIT	TOTAL COST	CONTRIBUTIONS			
					FUTURE FISHERIES REQUEST	IN-KIND SERVICES**	IN-KIND CASH	TOTAL
<b>Personnel***</b>								
Survey, Conceptual Design & Preliminary Design	1	LS	\$12,685.00	\$ 12,685.00			\$12,685.00	\$ 12,685.00
Final Design	1	LS	\$14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00			\$14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
Construction Staking	1	LS	\$1,260.00	\$ 1,260.00			\$1,260.00	\$ 1,260.00
Permitting				\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
Oversight	1	LS	\$8,740.00	\$ 8,740.00			\$8,740.00	\$ 8,740.00
				\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
			Sub-Total	\$ 36,685.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36,685.00	\$ 36,685.00
<b>Travel</b>								
Mileage	250	mile	\$0.54	\$ 135.00			\$135.00	\$ 135.00
Per diem				\$ -			\$ -	\$ -
			Sub-Total	\$ 135.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00
<b>Construction Materials****</b>								
Corrugated Water Screen w/Components + Supplier On-Site for Installation	1	Each	\$70,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$37,780.00		\$32,220.00	\$ 70,000.00
Access Walkway for Fish Screen	1	Each	\$2,750.00	\$ 2,750.00	\$2,750.00			\$ 2,750.00
15" Sluice Gate	1	Each	\$1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$1,200.00			\$ 1,200.00
12" Pipe to Bypass	7	Linear Feet	\$20.00	\$ 140.00	\$140.00			\$ 140.00
Embankment Material	50	Cubic Yards	\$35.00	\$ 1,750.00	\$1,750.00			\$ 1,750.00
Cast-In-Place Concrete, Rebar, Formwork	24	Cubic Yards	\$650.00	\$ 15,600.00	\$15,600.00			\$ 15,600.00
Bedding Material	10	Cubic Yards	\$38.00	\$ 380.00	\$380.00			\$ 380.00
12" PVC Fish Return	195	Linear Feet	\$20.00	\$ 3,900.00	\$3,900.00			\$ 3,900.00
Erosion Control Components	1	Each	\$750.00	\$ 750.00	\$750.00			\$ 750.00
Clearing & Grubbing	1	Each	\$2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$2,000.00			\$ 2,000.00
			Sub-Total	\$ 98,470.00	\$66,250.00	\$ -	\$ 32,220.00	\$ 98,470.00
<b>Equipment and Labor</b>								
Fish Screen Delivery	1	Each	\$2,500.00	\$ 2,500.00	\$2,500.00			\$ 2,500.00
Labor	100	Hours	\$45.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$4,500.00			\$ 4,500.00
Hydraulic Excavator	55	Hours	\$150.00	\$ 8,250.00	\$8,250.00			\$ 8,250.00

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Dump Truck	40	Hours	\$120.00	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,800.00			\$ 4,800.00
Skid Steer	40	Hours	\$100.00	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 4,000.00			\$ 4,000.00
Pickup Truck	75	Hours	\$60.00	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 4,500.00			\$ 4,500.00
Welder	20	Hours	\$50.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00
Generator	40	Hours	\$40.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00			\$ 1,600.00
Compactor	20	Hours	\$80.00	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,600.00			\$ 1,600.00
Misc. Tools	1	Each	\$1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00			\$ 1,000.00
			Sub-Total	\$ 33,750.00	\$ 33,750.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 33,750.00
<b>Mobilization</b>								
Mobilization	1	Each	\$14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00				\$ 14,000.00
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				\$ -				\$ -
			Sub-Total	\$ 14,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 14,000.00
			<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 183,040.00</b>	<b>\$ 100,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 83,040.00</b>	<b>\$ 183,040.00</b>

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS:**

**All of the columns in the budget table and the matching contribution table MUST be completed appropriately or the application will be invalid.** Please see the example budget sheet for additional clarification.

\*Units = feet, hours, inches, etc. Do not use lump sum unless there is no other way to describe the costs.

\*\*Can include in-kind materials. Justification for in-kind labor (e.g. hourly rates used for calculations). Describe here or in text.

Reminder: Government salaries cannot be used as in-kind match

\*\*\*The Review Panel suggests that design and oversight costs associated with a proposed project not exceed 15% of the total project budget. If design and oversight costs are in excess of 15%, applications must include a minimum of two competitive bids for the cost of undertaking the project.

\*\*\*\*The Review Panel recommends a maximum fencing cost of \$1.50 per foot. Additional costs may be the responsibility of the applicant and/or partners.

**MATCHING CONTRIBUTIONS** (do not include requested funds)

CONTRIBUTOR	IN-KIND SERVICE	IN-KIND CASH	TOTAL	Secured? (Y/N)
Private Donor	\$ -	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	Y
Bitterroot Trout Unlimited	\$ -	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 7,500.00	N
USFWS	\$ -	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 60,000.00	N
Private Donors/Foundation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,540.00	N
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<b>TOTALS</b>	\$	-	\$	73,500.00	\$	83,040.00
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## Conceptual Analysis Decision Matrix - Maclay Ditch Fish Screen

Screen Type	Screen Siting Location	Cost	Short Term Maintenance (On-Site Cleaning)	Long Term Maintenance (Parts, Mechanical)	Power Required?	Can Screen Accommodate Moderate-High Ditch Flow Variability	Other Factors	Does Screen Meets NMFS Guidelines?
FCA	In-Ditch	High	Low	Low	No	Yes* (If one bay can be shut off)	- Well established, proven technology -Would require substantial footprint - Would require lengthy piped fish return.	Yes.
Corrugated Water	In-Ditch	Low	Low-Medium	Low	No	Yes	- Minimal case studies - fabrication has just recently started. - Would require lengthy piped fish return. - Doesn't fit existing canal flow regime as well, increases backwater into the headgate. - Simple design, relatively compact footprint.	Considered "experimental"
Vertical Plate w/Paddlewheel	In-Ditch	Low	Low	Moderate	No	Yes* (If bays can be shut off)	- Would require piped fish return. - Would likely require fencing for public safety - Moderate footprint sized - Variability to fit relatively low head applications. - Allows cleaning of screen with no power source.	Yes.
Vertical Plate w/Powered Brushes	In-Ditch or in Channel	Moderate	Low	High	Yes	Possibly	- Would require piped fish return. - Optimally would require higher flow depths than project can accommodate to reduce footprint size	Yes.
Rotary Drum Screen	In-Ditch	High	Low	Moderate	No	No	-Would require piped fish return. - Would require more depth than site can accommodate	Yes.
Traveling Belt	Headgate Mounted	Very High	Low	High	Yes	Yes	-Complex, proprietary. Requires power source - Would require significant increase in water surface elevation. - Fish don't enter screen/ditch	Yes.
Cone Screen	In-Ditch or In-Channel	Very High	Low	High	Yes	Yes	-Generally operates better with deeper intakes. Doesn't fit site well.	Certain models do.

**Results of conceptual screening:**

1). Conceptual alternatives analysis recommends the FCA screen, corrugated water screen, and vertical plate with paddlewheel screens to be investigated further.

1. Fish rescued from the Lolo Ditch this year



2. One of many 5 gallon buckets worth of fish recued.



3. FWP biologists and volunteers rescuing trapped fish





## MEMORANDUM

**Date:** November 12, 2018

**To:** Will McDowell, Clark Fork Coalition  
Jed Whitely, Clark Fork Coalition

**From:** Ryan Elliott, PE / Great West Engineering

**Subject:** Conceptual Design Submittal – Lolo Creek (Maclay Ditch) Fish Screen

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This memorandum documents the design notes & questions for discussion pertaining to the conceptual design submittal of the Maclay Ditch Fish Screen:

**General Design Notes:**

- All screens were conceptually designed to not require any modifications to the existing diversion structure. This essentially eliminates an “headgate” mounted or in channel screens due to additional head requirements at the headgate location.
- All screens were conceptually designed for 38 cfs. This amounts to approximately 5-10% return flow (2 to 4 cfs). Total inflow would then be around 40-42 cfs.
- Screen selection assumes powered screens will not be viable at the site. Please confirm.
- No headgate modifications are assumed/explored in this scope of work.
- Vertical plate with paddlewheel could be constructed out of modular steel for the units (assuming a 3 bay assembly). These could then be bolted together at the site. The cost estimate for the vertical plate screen currently shows it housed in a concrete structure. Three modular bays will be a cost increase of the two bays in concrete (approx. \$10-\$15K).
- Access constraints could make concrete delivery more challenging. Recommend CFC speak with a local concrete company for specific site access.
- Some ditch regrading may be necessary for the Corrugated Water Screen Alternative, as it has a higher structure height w/head than the other alternatives.
- Screen siting location is slightly variable and is anticipated to occur just downstream of flume location to across from parking access, a distance of approximately 200 feet.
- Site is located in a FEMA Zone AE floodplain. Preliminary investigation shows the Q100 water surface elevation at the headgate to be close to the top of the headgate structure. Unsure if floodplain specific permitting is required at this point.

**General Design Questions/Clarifications:**

- Please provide specific maximum design flow for the fish screen. Currently assumed at 38 cfs. We are in receipt of 2016-2017 provided DNRC ditch flow rates. If 2018 flow rates are available, please provide these too.
- Please provide the design plans for the rotary drum structure that was previously designed at the site.



## OPINION OF PROBABLE COST - FISH SCREEN ALTERNATIVES - CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

PROJECT

*Lolo Creek-Maclay Ditch Fish Screen*

DATE

11/12/2018

## FISH SCREEN - ALTERNATIVE 1 - VERTICAL PLATE SCREEN W/PADDLEWHEEL - 38 CFS

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	PRICE	AMOUNT
1	Mobilization	Lump Sum	1	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00
2	Construction Staking	Lump Sum	1	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
3	Erosion Control	Lump Sum	1	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
4	Supply & Install Vertical Plate Screens (Screen, Hardware & Gates)	Lump Sum	1	\$58,000.00	\$58,000.00
5	Excavation & Embankment (Fish Screen Structure)	Lump Sum	1	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
6	Supply & Install Cast-In-Place Concrete	Cubic Yard	34	\$850.00	\$28,900.00
7	Bedding Material	Cubic Yard	12	\$50.00	\$600.00
8	Fish Return Pipe (12" PVC)	Linear Feet	200	\$55.00	\$11,000.00
9	Remove and Relocate Flume	Lump Sum	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$119,200.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL (W/CONTINGENCY (20%))</b>				<b>\$143,100.00</b>	

## FISH SCREEN - ALTERNATIVE 2 - CORRUGATED WATER SCREEN - 38 CFS

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	PRICE	AMOUNT
1	Mobilization	Lump Sum	1	\$12,400.00	\$12,400.00
2	Construction Staking	Lump Sum	1	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
3	Erosion Control	Lump Sum	1	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
4	Supply & Install Corrugated Water Screens & Hardware	Lump Sum	1	\$68,000.00	\$68,000.00
5	Supply and Install Acess Walkway	Lump Sum	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
6	Supply and Install 15" Sluice Gate	Lump Sum	1	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
7	12" Pipe to Bypass	Linear Feet	7	\$65.00	\$455.00
8	Excavation & Embankment (Fish Screen Structure)	Lump Sum	1	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
9	Supply & Install Cast-In-Place Concrete	Cubic Yard	24	\$850.00	\$20,400.00
10	Bedding Material	Cubic Yard	10	\$50.00	\$500.00
11	Fish Return Pipe (12" PVC)	Linear Feet	195	\$55.00	\$10,725.00
12	Remove and Relocate Flume	Lump Sum	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$123,930.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL (W/CONTINGENCY (20%))</b>				<b>\$148,800.00</b>	

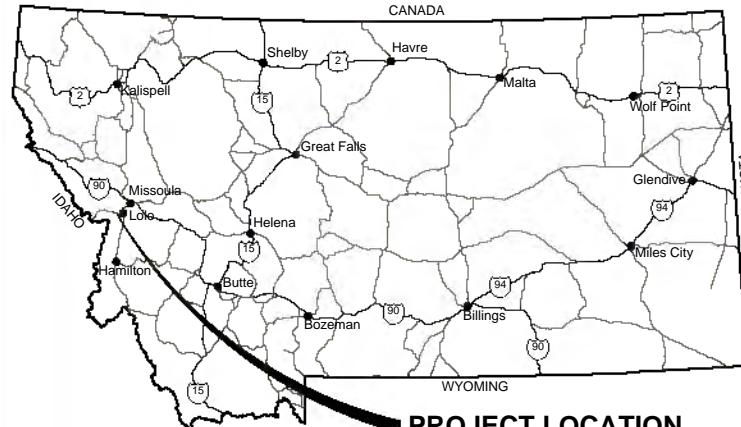
## FISH SCREEN - ALTERNATIVE 3 - FCA SCREEN - CUSTOM DUAL SCREEN - 38 CFS

ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	UNIT	QUANTITY	PRICE	AMOUNT
1	Mobilization	Lump Sum	1	\$19,400.00	\$19,400.00
2	Construction Staking	Lump Sum	1	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
3	Erosion Control	Lump Sum	1	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
4	Supply & Install FCA Fish Screens (Screen & Inlet Flume Only)	Lump Sum	1	\$115,000.00	\$115,000.00
5	Excavation & Embankment (Fish Screen Structure)	Lump Sum	1	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
6	Supply & Install Cast-In-Place Concrete	Cubic Yard	44	\$850.00	\$37,400.00
7	Bedding Material	Cubic Yard	25	\$50.00	\$1,250.00
8	Fish Return Pipe (12" PVC, includes excavation/embankment)	Linear Feet	195	\$55.00	\$10,725.00
9	Remove and Relocate Flume	Lump Sum	1	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				<b>\$193,475.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL (W/CONTINGENCY (20%))</b>				<b>\$232,200.00</b>	

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## PROJECT LOCATION

## **PLANS PREPARED FOR:**

CLARK FORK COALITION



**APPROVED BY:**

RYAN ELLIOTT, P.E.  
GREAT WEST ENGINEERING



**PLANS PREPARED BY:**

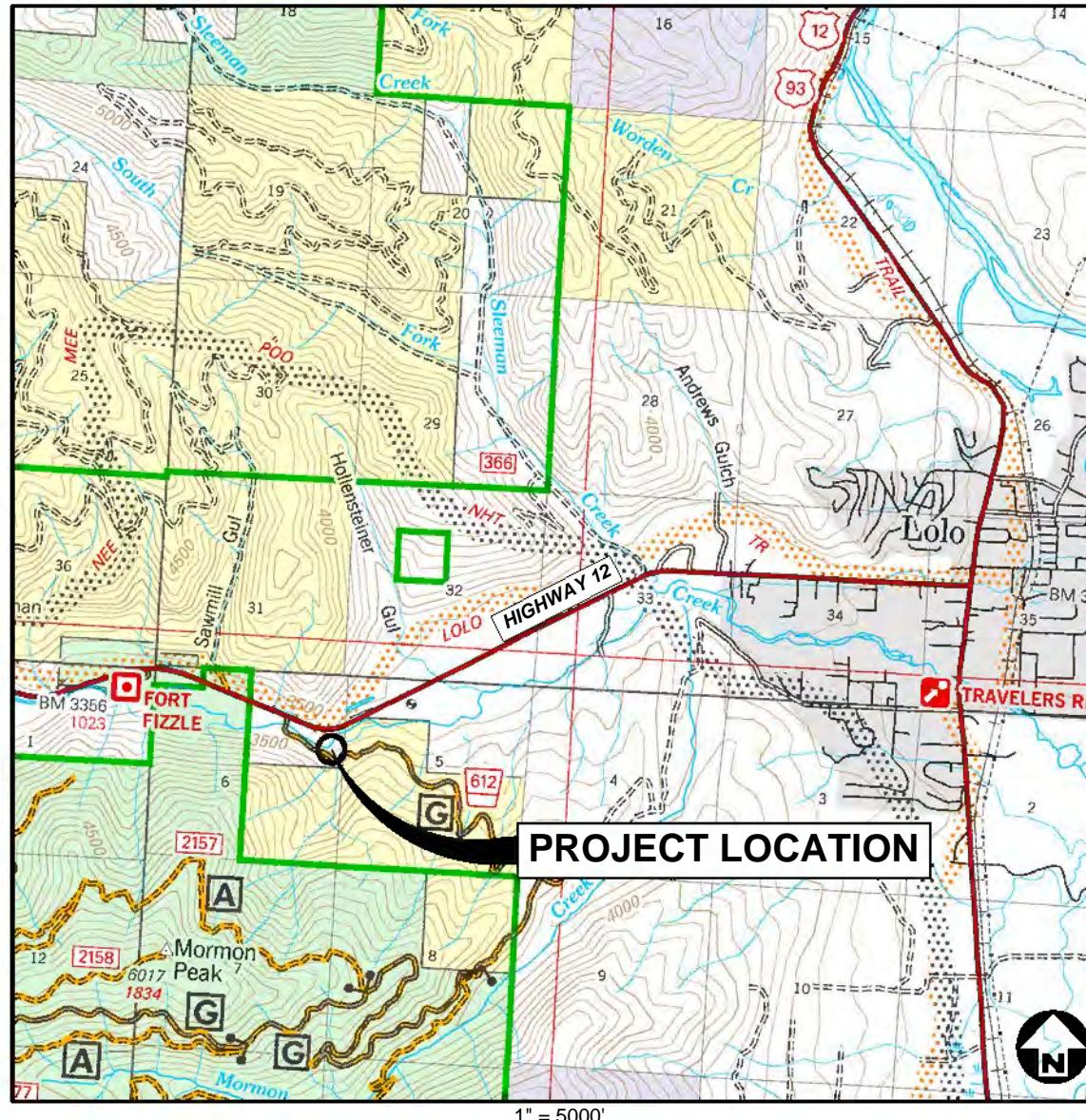
BRENT PILON, P.E.



# **CLARK FORK COALITION LOLO CREEK-MACLAY DITCH FISH SCREEN**

## CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

**SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, AND RANGE 20 WEST  
LATITUDE 46.74307965 N, LONGITUDE 114.15194444 W**



NO.	REVISION DESCRIPTION	BY	DATE	SET NO.
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				
				

## Lolo Creek fish screen

**CONCEPTUAL DESIGN****ABBREVIATIONS**

@	AT	LPG	LIQUID PROPANE GAS
A	ANGLE OF DEFLECTION, DELTA ANGLE	LT	LEFT
<PT	ANGLE POINT	MAX	MATRIX
AB	ANCHOR BOLT	MD	MEASURE DOWN
ABDN	ABANDON	MFD	MANUFACTURED
AC	ASBESTOS CONCRETE	MFR	MANUFACTURE, MANUFACTURER
ADDN	ADDITIONAL	MH	MANHOLE
ADJ	ADJACENT	MIN	MINIMUM
AFF	ABOVE FINISHED FLOOR	MISC	MISCELLANEOUS
ALT	ALTERNATE	MJ	MECHANICAL JOINT
ANSI	AMERICAN NATIONAL STANDARDS INSTITUTE	MOV	MOTOR OPERATED VALVE
APPROX	APPROXIMATE	MPWSS	MONTANA PUBLIC WORKS STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS
APVD	APPROVED	N	NORTH
ARCH	ARCHITECTURE, ARCHITECTURAL	NE	NORTHEAST
ASPH	ASPHALT	NG	NATURAL GAS
AVE	AVENUE	NIC	NOT IN CONTRACT
AVG	AVERAGE	NO	NUMBER
BVF	BUTTERFLY VALVE	NOM	NOMINAL
BLDG	BUILDING	NTS	NOT TO SCALE
BLK	BLOCK	NW	NORTHWEST
BLVD	BOULEVARD	OC	ON CENTER
BM	BEAM, BENCHMARK	OD	OUTSIDE DIAMETER
BOT	BOTTOM	OF	OVERFLOW
BRG	BEARING	OH	OVERHEAD
BRKT	BRACKET	OHP	OVERHEAD POWER
BVC	BEGIN VERTICAL CURVE	OHT	OVERHEAD TELEPHONE
C-C	CENTER TO CENTER	OPNG	OPENING
CHAN	CHANNEL	PC	POINT OF CURVATURE
CHK	CHECK	PCC	POINT OF COMPOUND CURVATURE
CI	CAST IRON	PE	PLAIN END, POLYETHYLENE
CIPC	CAST-IN-PLACE CONCRETE	PERP	PERPENDICULAR
CIRC	CIRCULAR	PI	POINT OF INTERSECTION
CJ	CONSTRUCTION JOINT, CONTROL JOINT	PNL	PANEL
CLR	CLEAR, CLEARANCE	PRC	POINT OF REVERSE CURVATURE
CMP	CORRUGATED METAL PIPE	PREFAB	PREFABRICATED
CMU	CONCRETE MASONRY UNITS	PRELIM	PRELIMINARY
CO	CLEANOUT	PREP	PREPARE, PREPARATION
COL	COLUMN	PROP	PROPERTY
CONC	CONCRETE	PRV	PRESSURE REDUCING VALVE
CONT	CONTINUE, CONTINUED, CONTINUOUS	PSF	POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT
CONTR	CONTRACTOR	PSI	POUNDS PER SQUARE INCH
COORD	COORDINATE	PT	POINT, POINT OF TANGENCY
CP	CONTROL PANEL, CONTROL POINT	PVC	POLYVINYL CHLORIDE
CPLG	COUPLING	PVI	POINT OF VERTICAL INTERSECTION
CTR	CENTER	PVMT	PAVEMENT
CTV	CABLE TELEVISION	R, RAD	RADIUS
CU	CUBIC, COPPER	RC	REINFORCED CONCRETE
CF	CUBIC FEET	RCP	REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE
CULV	CULVERT	RD	ROAD
CY	CUBIC YARD	RDCR	REDUCER
DET	DETAIL	REBAR	REINFORCEMENT BAR
DI	DUCTILE IRON, DRAIN INLET	REF	REFERENCE
DIA, ⌀	DIAETER	REINF	REINFORCE
DIAG	DIAGONAL	REQD	REQUIRED
DIM	DIMENSION	RR	RAILROAD
DR	DRIVE	RST	REINFORCING STEEL
DWG	DRAWING	RT	RIGHT
E	EAST	R/W	RIGHT-OF-WAY
EA	EACH	S	SOUTH, SANITARY SEWER
EL, ELEV	ELEVATION	SAN	SANITARY
ELB	ELBOW	SCH	SCHEDULE
ELEC	ELECTRIC, ELECTRICAL	SD	STORM DRAIN
ENCL	ENCLOSE	SDWK	SIDEWALK
ENGR	ENGINEER	SE	SOUTHEAST
EOP	EDGE OF PAVEMENT	SECT	SECTION
EQ	EQUAL, EQUALLY	SF	SQUARE FOOT
EQ SP	EQUALLY SPACED	SHT	SHEET
EQUIP	EQUIPMENT	SIM	SIMILAR
EQUIV	EQUIVALENT	SLP	SLOPE
EVC	END VERTICAL CURVE	SPEC	SPECIFICATION
EW	EACH WAY	SQ	SQUARE
EXC	EXCAVATE	SSTL	STAINLESS STEEL
EXP	EXPANSION	STA	STATION
EXP JT	EXPANSION JOINT	SS	SANITARY SEWER SERVICE
EXIST	EXISTING	STD	STANDARD
FCV	FLOW CONTROL VALVE	ST	STREET
FD	FLOOR DRAIN	STL	STEEL
FDN	FOUNDATION	STRUCT	STRUCTURE
FES	FLARED END SECTION	SW	SOUTHWEST
FET	FLARED END TERMINAL	SYM	SYMMETRICAL
FF	FINISHED FLOOR	TB	THRUST BLOCK
FG	FINISH GRADE	TBC	TOP BACK OF CURB
FHYD	FIRE HYDRANT	TBM	TEMPORARY BENCH MARK
FJ	FLANGE JOINT	TEL	TELEPHONE
FL	FLOW LINE	TEMP	TEMPORARY
FLEX	FLEXIBLE	THRU	THROUGH
FM	FORCEMAIN	TYP	TYPICAL
FT	FOOT, FEET	UG	UNDERGROUND
FO	FIBER OPTIC	UGP	UNDERGROUND POWER
FTG	FOOTING, FITTING	UGT	UNDERGROUND TELEPHONE
G	NATURAL GAS	UTIL	UTILITY
GA	GAGE, GAUGE	V	VALVE, VOLT
GAL	GALLON	VB	VALVE BOX
GALV	GALVANIZED	VERT	VERTICAL
GND	GROUND	VOL	VOLUME
GVL	GRAVEL	W	WEST, WATER
HB	HOSE BIB	WTR	WATER
HDPE	HIGH DENSITY POLYETHYLENE	WD	WOOD
HOR, HORIZ	HORIZONTAL	W/	WITH
HWY	HIGHWAY	W/O	WITHOUT
HYD	HYDRANT	WL	WETLAND
ID	INSIDE DIAMETER	WM	WIRE MESH, WATER METER
IE	INVERT ELEVATION	WS	WATERSTOP, WATER SURFACE, WATER SERVICE
IN	INCH	WT	WEIGHT
INV	INVERT	WV	WATER VALVE
JB	JUNCTION BOX	WWF	WELDED WIRE FABRIC
JT	JOINT	WWM	WELDED WIRE MESH
K	RATE OF VERTICAL CURVATURE	XFMR	TRANSFORMER
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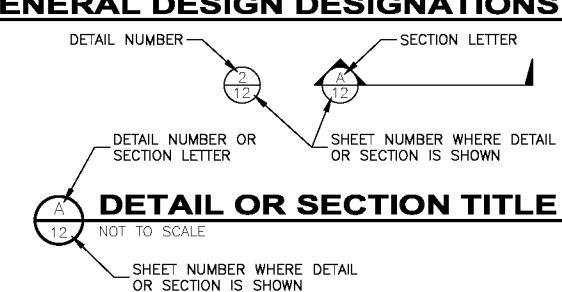
## Lolo Creek fish screen

**LEGEND**

EXISTING	PROPOSED	DESCRIPTION	EXISTING	PROPOSED	DESCRIPTION
OHT	OHT	MAJOR CONTOUR	◎	○	STUMP
UGT	UGT	MINOR CONTOUR	○	○	SHRUB/BUSH
CTV	CTV	OVERHEAD TELEPHONE	★	★	TREE-CONIFER
FO	FO	CABLE TELEVISION	○	○	TREE-DECIDUOUS
G	G	FIBER OPTIC	○	○	TREE LINE
OHP	OHP	NATURAL GAS	○	○	COMMUNICATION MANHOLE
UGP	UGP	OVERHEAD POWER	□	□	COMMUNICATION VAULT
S	S	SANITARY SEWER	□	□	TELEPHONE RISER
SS	SS	SANITARY SEWER SERVICE	□	□	CABLE TV RISER
FM	FM	SANITARY SEWER FORCEMAIN	□	□	NATURAL GAS METER
SD	SD	STORM DRAIN	□	□	NATURAL GAS RISER
		STORM CULVERT	○	○	LIGHT POLE
W	W	WATER	○	○	STREET LIGHT POLE
WS	WS	WATER SERVICE	○	○	POWER RISER
○○○○	○○○○	CHAINLINK FENCE	△	△	PAD MOUNTED TRANSFORMER
XXX	XXX	BARBED WIRE FENCE	□	□	POWER VAULT
□□□□	□□□□	WOOD FENCE	○	○	UTILITY POLE
		PAVED ROAD	○	○	GUY WIRE
		GRAVEL ROAD	○	○	SANITARY MANHOLE
		PROPERTY/LOT LINE	○	○	SANITARY CLEANOUT
		PROPERTY EASEMENT	○	○	SANITARY LAMPHOLE
		PROPERTY SETBACK	○	○	STORM MANHOLE
		RIGHT-OF-WAY	○	○	STORM ROUND INLET
		CITY LIMIT/DISTRICT BOUNDARY	○	○	STORM SQUARE INLET
		RAILROAD	○	○	STORM CATCH BASIN
		DITCH	○	○	11.25° ELBOW
		WATER EDGE	○	○	22.50° ELBOW
WL		WETLAND	○	○	45° ELBOW
		BUILDING	○	○	90° ELBOW
		BENCHMARK	○	○	TEE
		CONTROL POINT	○	○	CROSS
		PROPERTY PIN	○	○	CAP
		BORING	○	○	FIRE HYDRANT
		MONITORING WELL	○	○	GATE VALVE
		TEST PIT	○	○	REDUCER
		BOLLARD	○	○	WATER METER
		MAIL BOX	○	○	WELL
		SIGN	○	○	CURB STOP
			○	○	FROST FREE HYDRANT

**GENERAL NOTES:**

1. THIS IS A STANDARD LEGEND AND ABBREVIATION LIST. THEREFORE, NOT ALL SYMBOLS AND ABBREVIATIONS MAY BE USED ON THIS PROJECT.
2. EXISTING UNDERGROUND UTILITIES SHOWN ARE FROM THE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE. THIS INFORMATION IS APPROXIMATE AND MAY BE INCOMPLETE. FOR ACCURATE LOCATION, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CONTACT, PRIOR TO EXCAVATION, THE UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION CENTER AT: 1-800-424-5555.

**GENERAL DESIGN DESIGNATIONS:**

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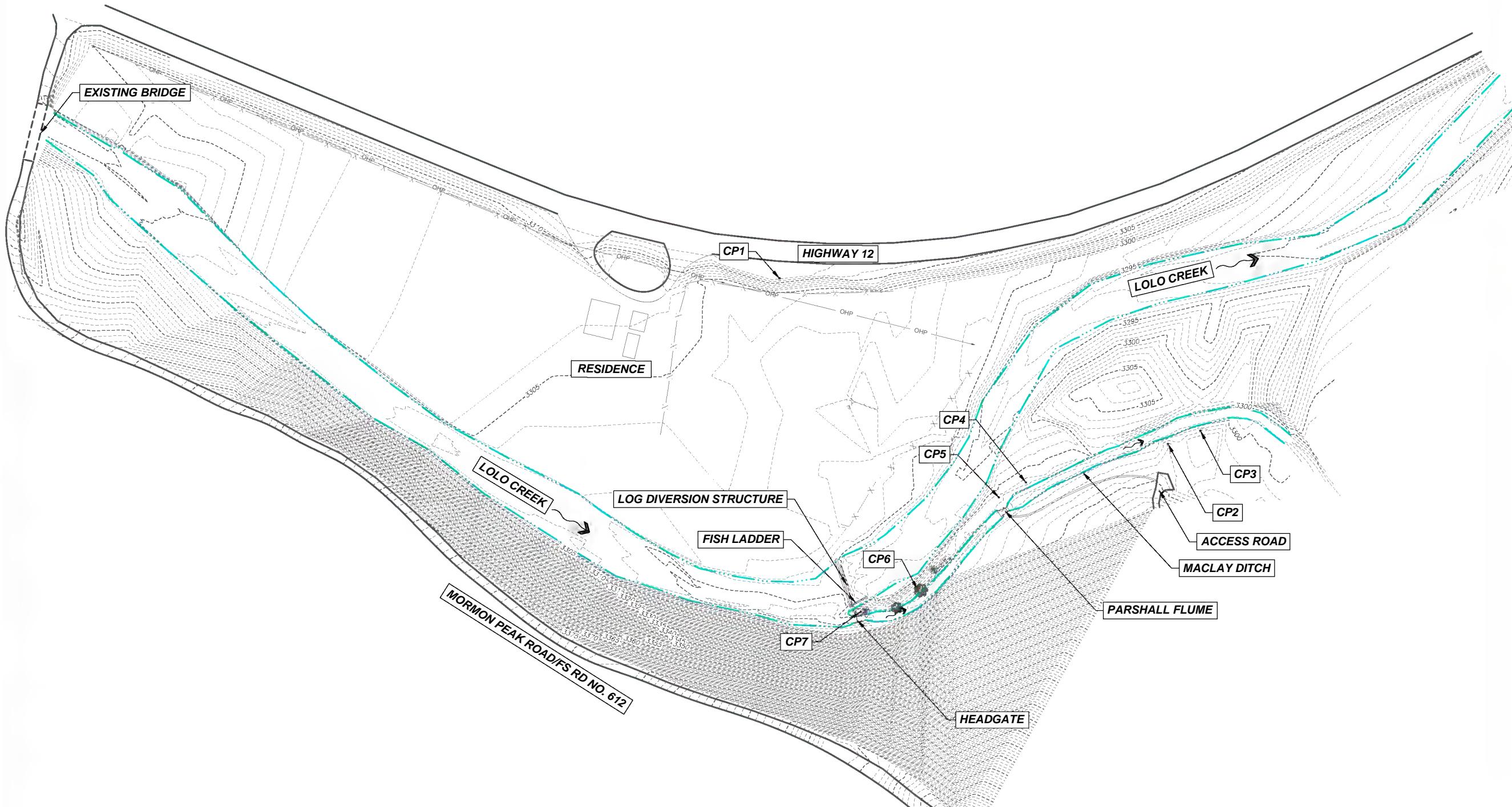
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CP2	943990.50	804666.85	3303.26	REBAR W/RPC
CP3	944008.49	804711.33	3303.34	REBAR W/RPC
CP4	943937.50	804472.55	3301.41	REBAR W/RPC
CP5	943917.20	804435.37	3301.88	REBAR W/RPC
CP6	943790.57	804324.38	3302.56	REBAR W/RPC
CP7	943760.81	804246.39	3305.81	REBAR W/RPC
CP99	946812.98	820235.45	3193.36	NGS MONUMENT - PID DH9363

**SURVEY NOTES:**

1. RPC = RED PLASTIC CAP

**OVERALL EXISTING SITE PLAN & CONTROL TABLE**

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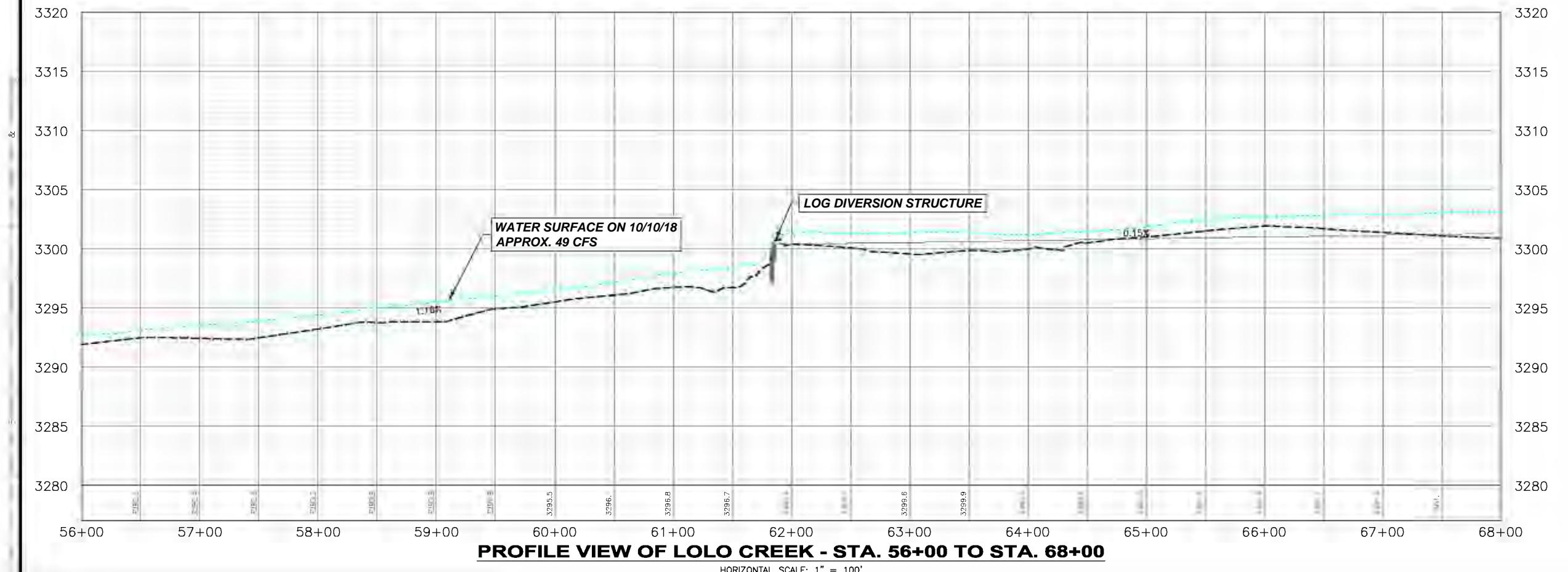
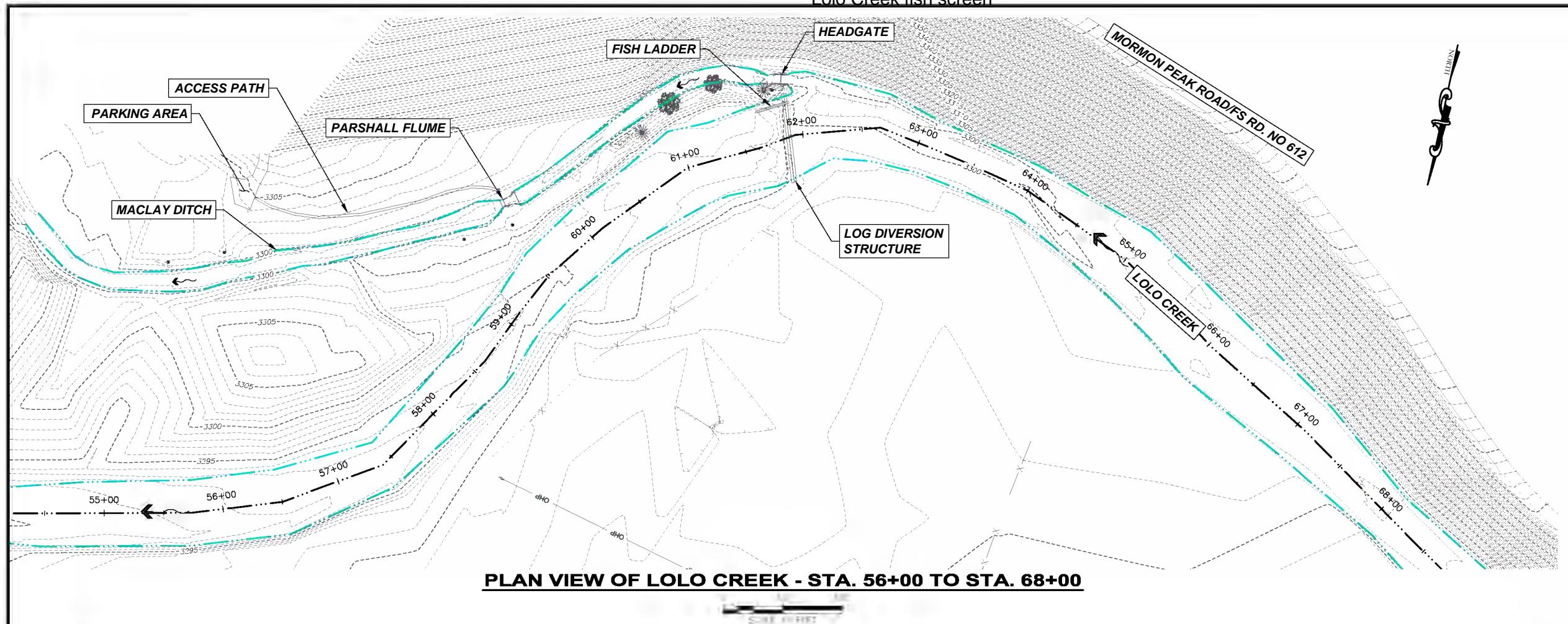


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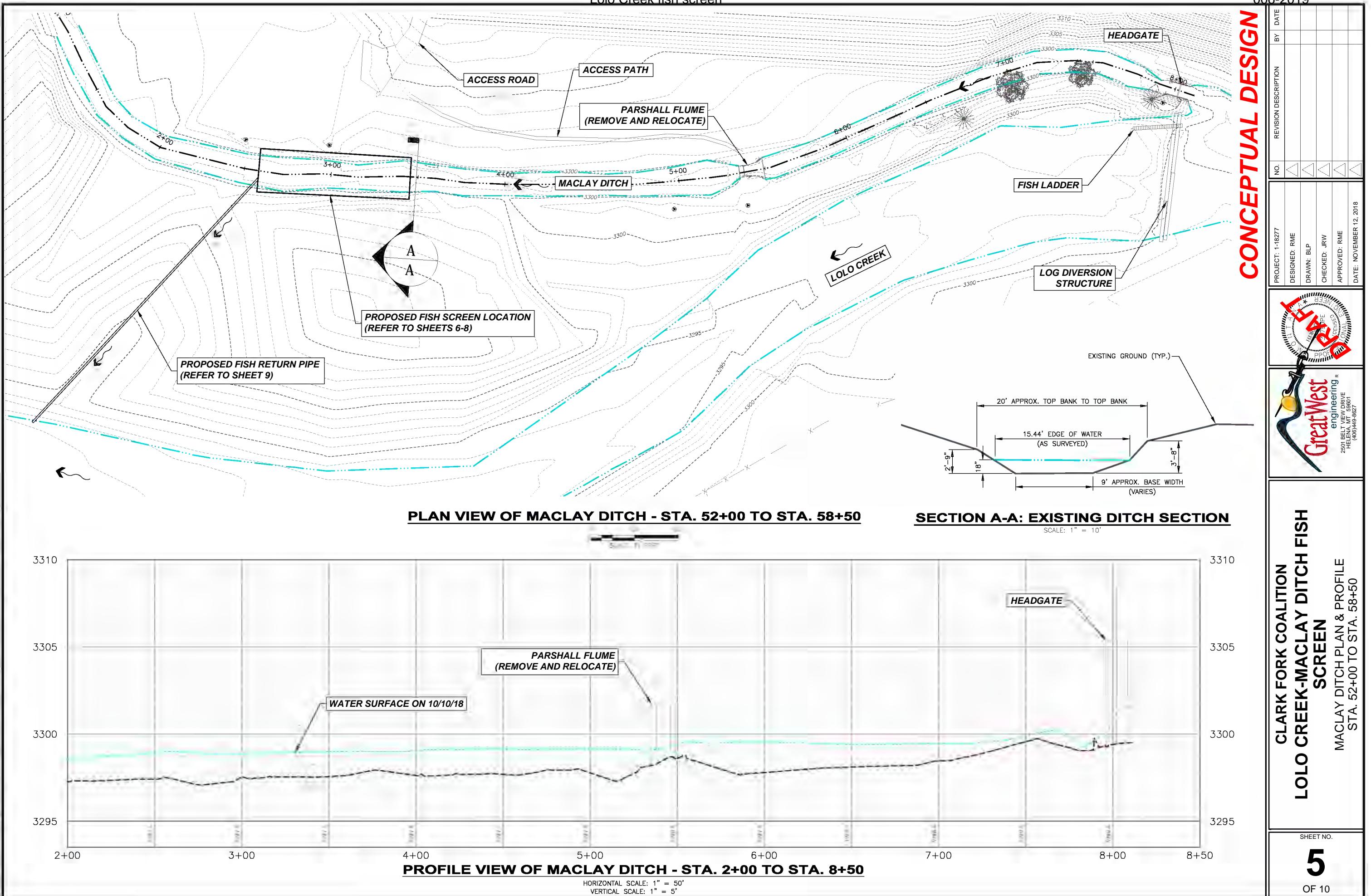
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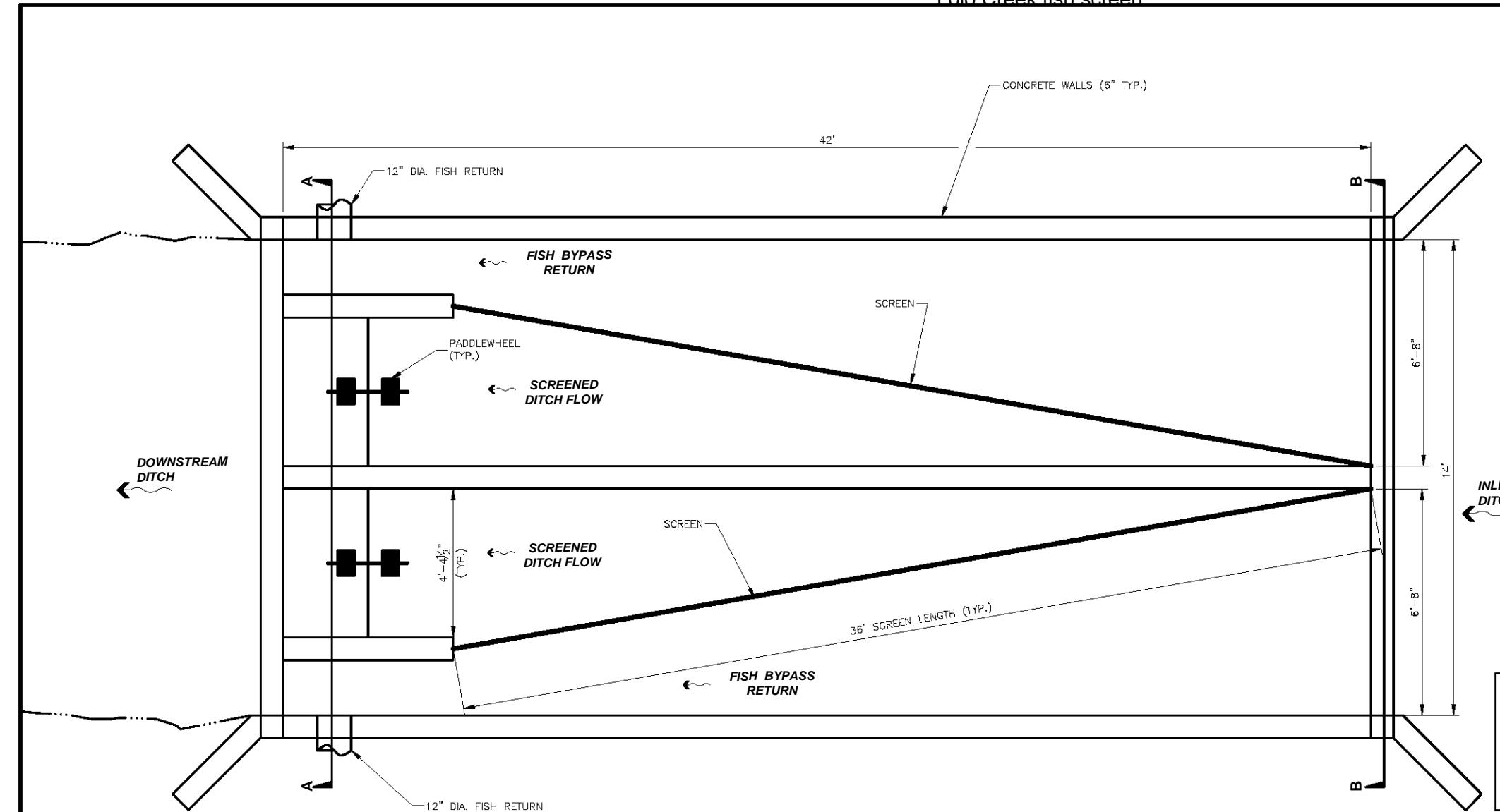
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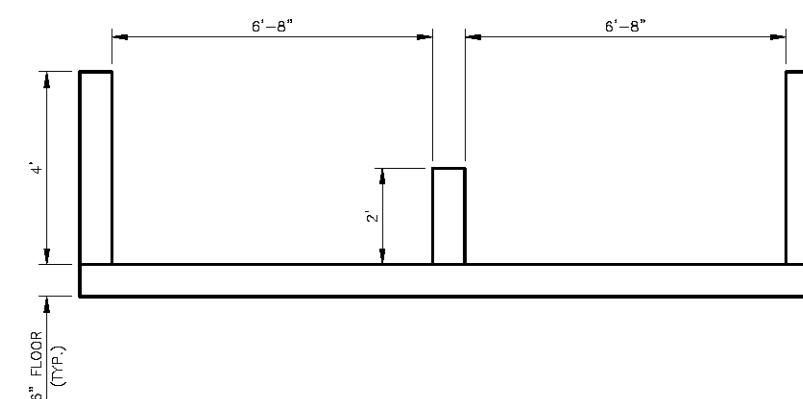
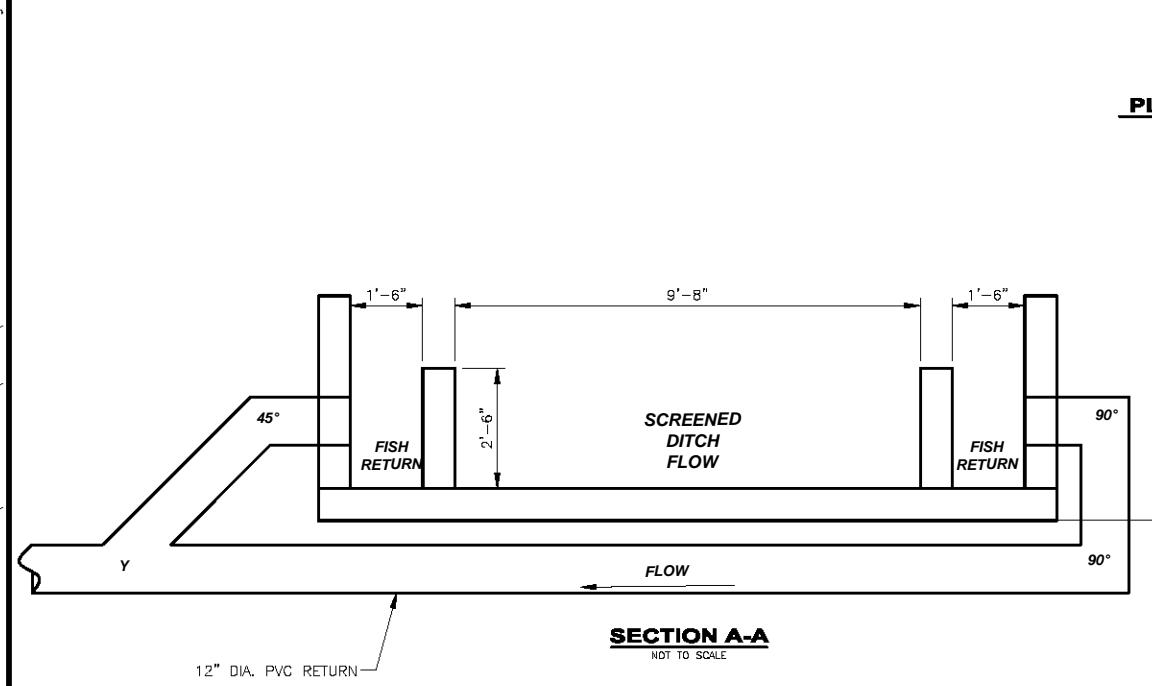
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LOLO CREEK PLAN & PROFILE  
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**CONCEPTUAL DESIGN**

**CONCEPTUAL DESIGN****Lolo Creek fish screen**

**NOTE:**  
FABRICATOR INDICATES TWO-BAY CONFIGURATION  
MAY NOT BE FEASIBLE DUE TO PADDLEWHEEL DRIVE  
LENGTH AND ARE INVESTIGATING FURTHER. THREE  
BAY CONFIGURATION MAY BE NECESSARY.



**VERTICAL PLATE SCREEN W/PADDLEWHEEL - 38 CFS SCREEN W/BYPASS FLOW**

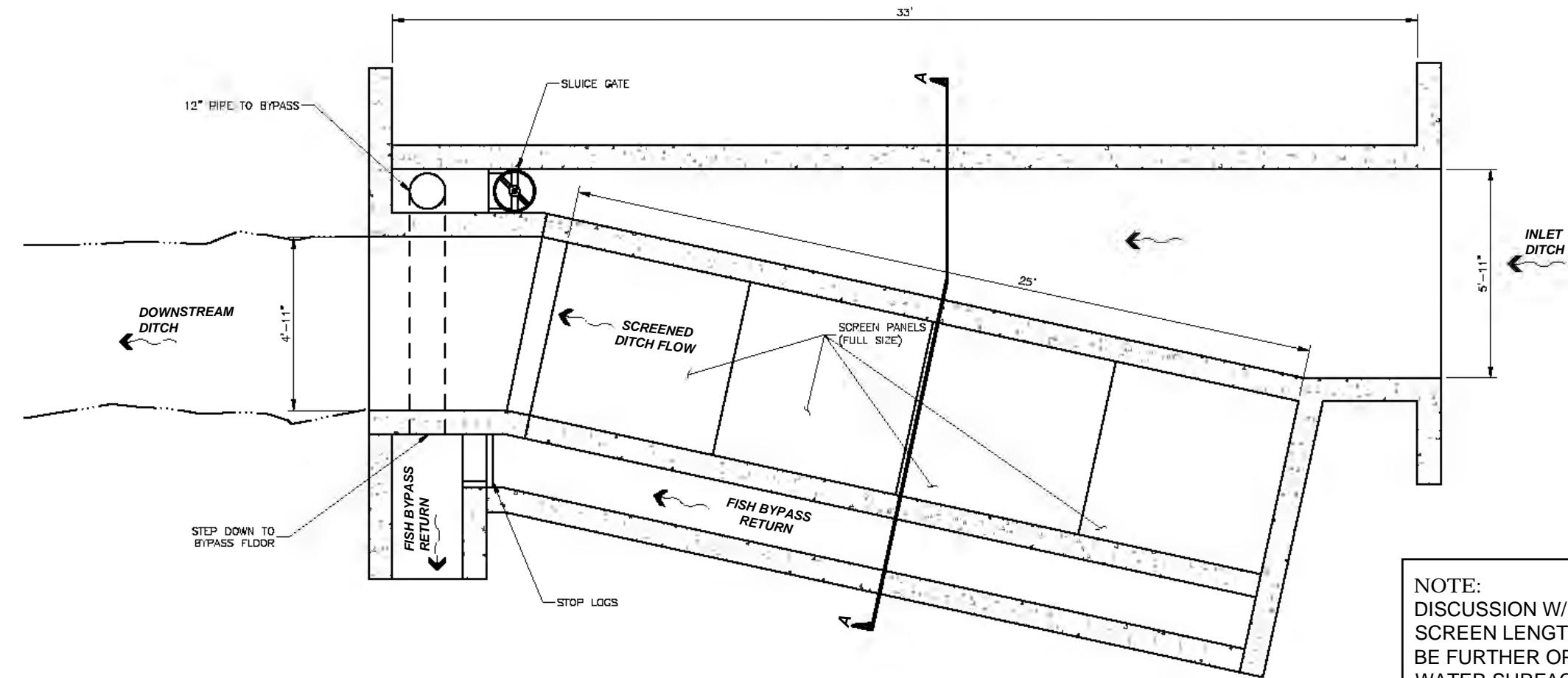


VIEW OF SIMILAR TWO BAY SCREEN  
(COURTESY OF CFC)

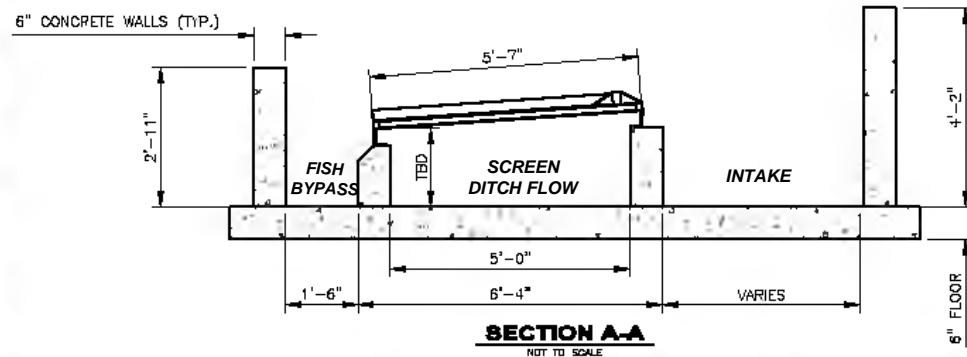
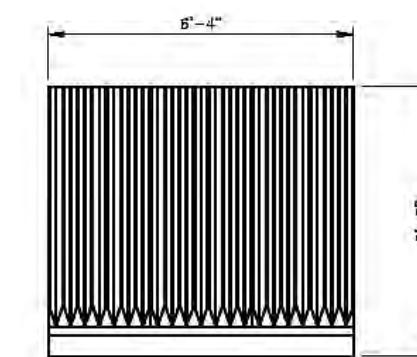
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ALTERNATIVE 1 - VERTICAL PLATE SCREEN WITH  
PADDLEWHEEL

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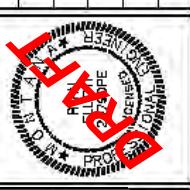
**CORRUGATED WATER SCREEN - 38 CFS SCREEN W/BYPASS FLOW**

NOTE: CORRUGATED SCREEN PANELS ARE 16 GAGE STAINLESS STEEL PERFORATED PLATE W/  $\frac{32}{32}$  DIAMETER HOLES WITH A 40 PERCENT OPEN AREA.

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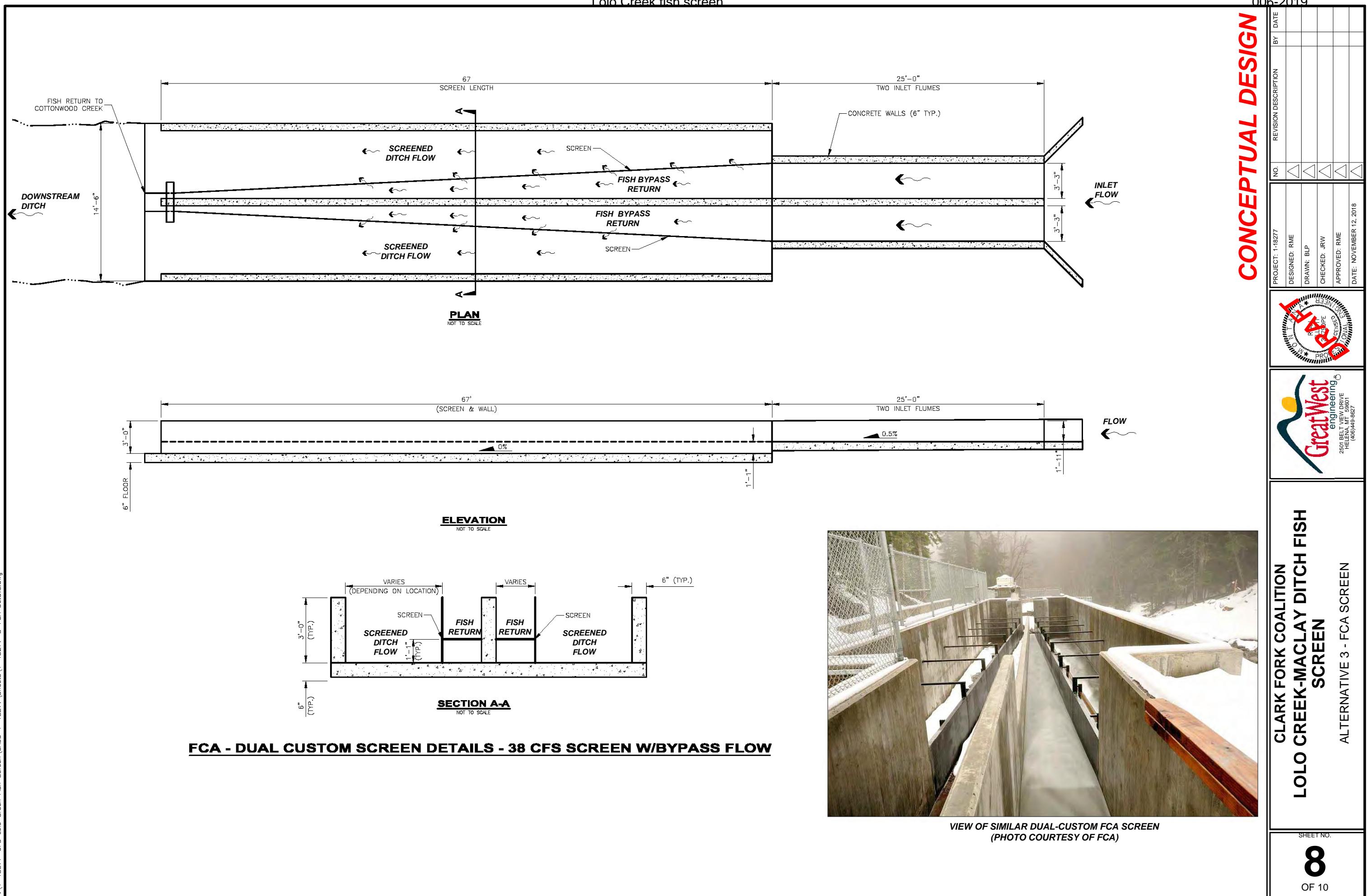
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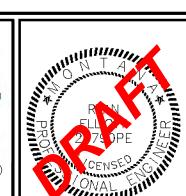
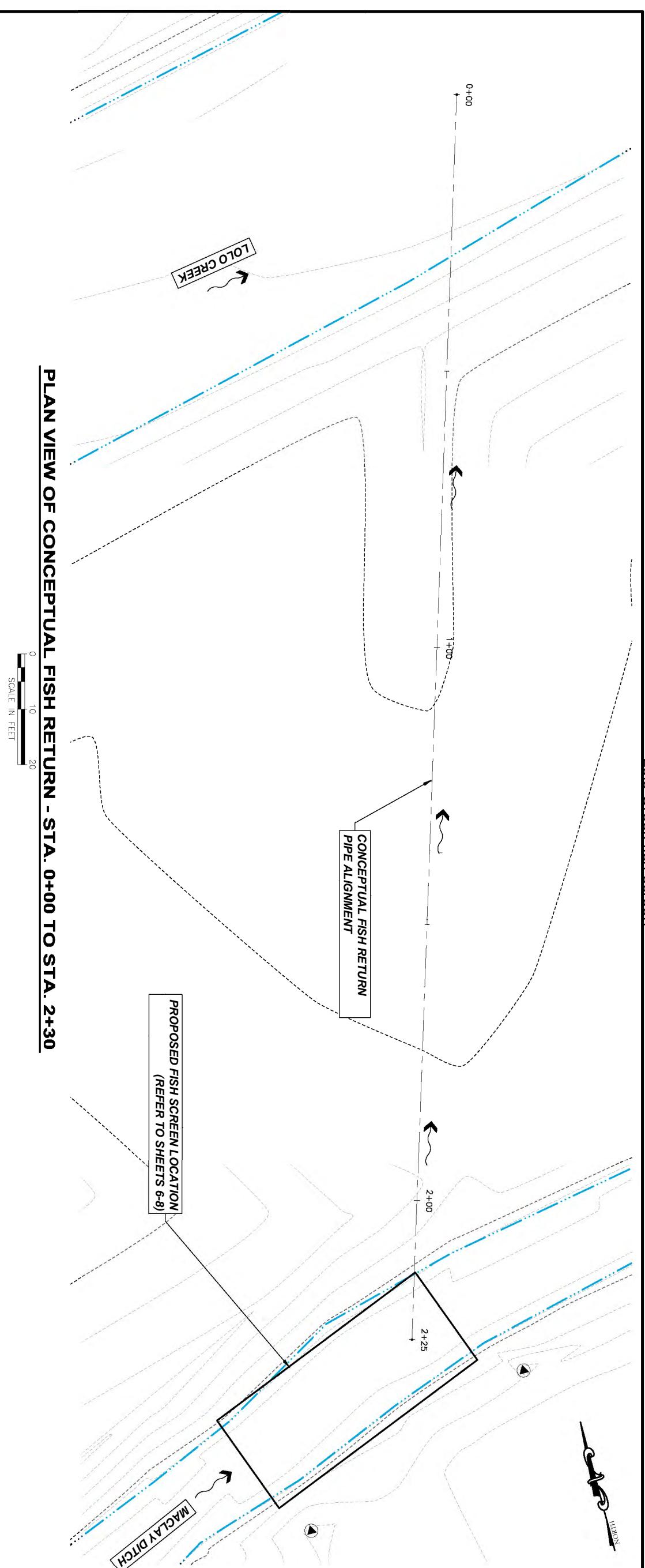
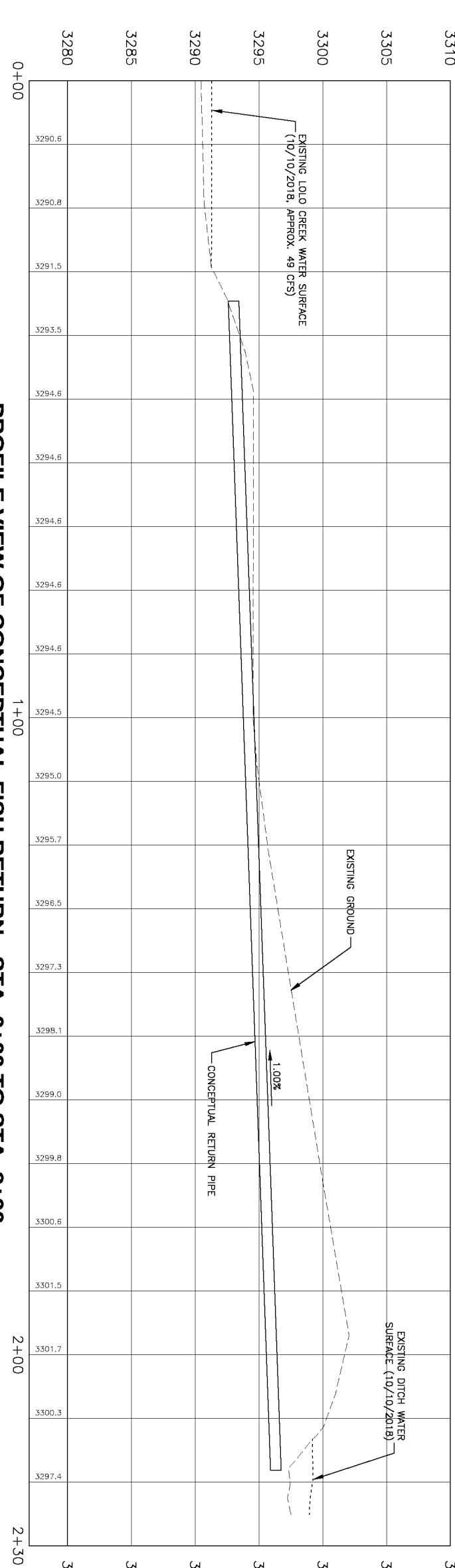
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## **OVERALL VIEW OF PROJECT SITE: DIVERSION, HEADGATE & DITCH**



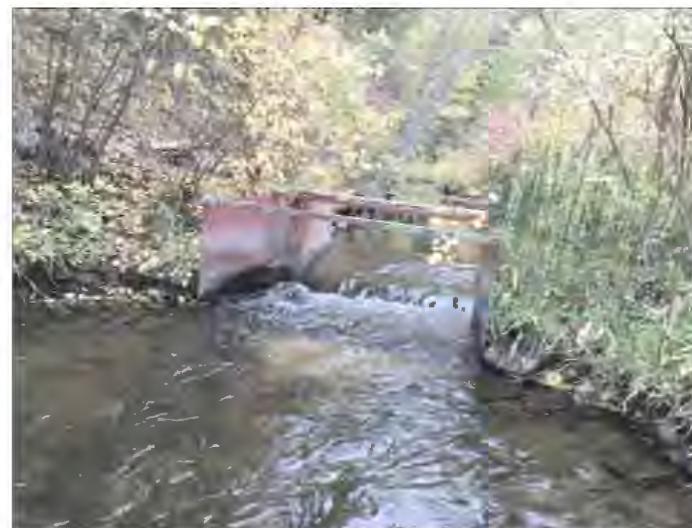
#### **VIEW OF LOG DIVERSION STRUCTURE LOOKING TOWARDS HEADGATE**



**VIEW OF LOLO CREEK DOWNSTREAM NEAR GENERAL FISH RETURN LOCATION**



#### **VIEW OF MACLAY DITCH DOWNSTREAM OF FLUME**



#### **VIEW OF EXISTING FLUME**



## **VIEW OF EXISTING HEADGATE**



## **VIEW OF FISH LADDER AT RIGHT BANK**

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**To: Clark Fork Coalition**

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RE: Support for Application for Funding for Fish Screen on Lolo Ditch, Missoula County, Montana

The undersigned are the members of the Lolo Ditch Association, representatives of ditch owners for the Maclay-Lolo Ditch (“Lolo Ditch”).

We send this letter in support of Clark Fork Coalition’s application for funding for a fish screen on Lolo Ditch as described below. We understand that CFC has acquired data from stream studies supporting the need for a fish screen on Lolo Ditch to prevent entrapment of fish in Lolo Ditch.

We are advised that if the ditch owners support the application, Clark Fork Coalition (“CFC”) intends to apply for one or more grants to support funding for the final design and construction of a fish screen to be installed below the head gate for Lolo Ditch on Lolo Creek. We understand the application will be made in 2018 for installation no later than December 31, 2020. We understand the owners of the Lolo Ditch will not be required to provide funding or in-kind contributions, or have any liability, related to the fish screen, including, for example, design, permitting, construction, installation, routine maintenance (perhaps daily as required by stream conditions), and extraordinary repairs and replacement required to keep the fish screen in operating condition. We understand that CFC and/or its partners such as Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks will bear all costs and liabilities associated with the fish screen and will perform all routine and extraordinary maintenance on the fish screen after installation. We understand we will have the right to approve the design of the fish screen, the timing and method of installation, and the ultimate arrangements under which the fish screen is installed, operated, repaired, replaced and maintained. We understand the fish screen will not require changes to the existing head gate or other parts of the ditch system, except as directly needed at the fish screen site, and that the fish screen will allow the ditch users to get their full maximum water right of 1411 miners inches (35.25 cfs) into the ditch below the fish screen.

We have signed this letter on the dates indicated below. This letter may be signed in counterparts with the signature pages collected together. Corrections by a signer for the name of the

representative and/or contact information may be made on this document without approval by other signers. This letter may be transmitted electronically and shall be treated and accepted as original signatures. The parties agree to communicate regarding this letter and the fish screen project by electronic means as allowed by the Montana Uniform Electronic Transactions Act, Mont. Code Ann. § 30-18-101, et seq., and any written document may be created in original or may be an electronic record; any signature may be in original, or by electronic signature.

[Signature pages follow.]

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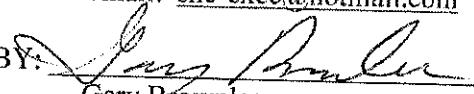
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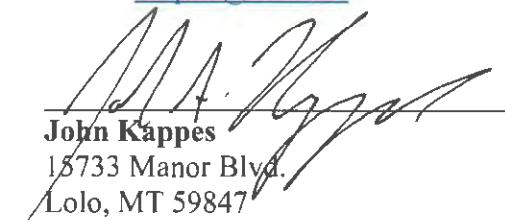
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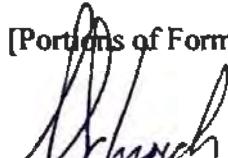
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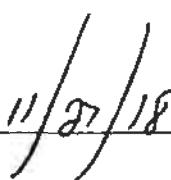
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Dear Michelle and Panel Members:

The Lolo-Maclay Diversion is located on the lower main stem of Lolo Creek, approximately 3 miles upstream of the Bitterroot River confluence. Lolo Creek is the largest tributary to the lower Bitterroot and serves as a crucial source of wild trout recruitment. It also represents one of the larger tributary systems in the greater Missoula area and helps to supply juvenile trout to this fishery, which is known to be recruitment-limited.

Fish entrainment in the Lolo-Maclay Diversion has been recognized as a major limiting factor for some time. **Trout losses in this ditch are higher than any other diversion in western Montana where I work.** We salvage > 1,000 juvenile trout per year out of this ditch from a few locations that are easy to access and this surely represents < 10% of the total number of salmonids that die when the diversion (>15 miles long) is turned off each fall. **There is no doubt that this diversion is entraining the majority of the trout attempting to migrate out of Lolo Creek to the Bitterroot River** and this is surely contributing to the recruitment issues in the adjacent river reaches. I don't believe it is an exaggeration to say that there are higher fish densities in this ditch than occur in Lolo Creek downstream of the diversion point.

Installing a fish screen on this diversion has been a regional priority for more than decade, but the issue of maintenance has prevented project installation. The Clark Fork Coalition and other groups have worked diligently to negotiate a fish screen project with the Lolo-Maclay water users over the past few years. The application to Future Fisheries in this funding cycle is the match funding that will allow screening to occur.

I strongly support this project and encourage panel members to grant the request for Future Fisheries funds. It would be very difficult to find a more worthy project or one that better fits the objectives of the Future Fisheries Improvement Program

Sincerely,

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